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Serial No: 09/877,035 Examiner: Q. A. Tran
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For: DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND DATA PROCESSING METHOD

**SUBMISSION OF REVISED PTO-1449 FORM AND REMARKS CONCERNING
NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the Detailed Action enclosed with the Notice of Allowance dated March 30, 2010, the Examiner asserted that the PTO-1449 Form filed on December 22, 2009 failed to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(b)(5) because it did not list the specific pages of the cited reference which are relevant, and set a one month date expiring on April 30, 2010 to submit corrections.

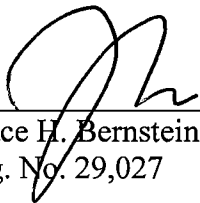
Applicants have enclosed herewith a revised PTO-1449 Form which explicitly states that “pages 1-41 are relevant” (as opposed to “all pages relevant”). Applicants request that the Examiner consider the reference listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 Form, and confirm his consideration of the reference by properly initialing the PTO-1449 Form, and returning a copy of the initialed PTO-1449 Form to Applicants.

As another matter, Applicants note that on page 2 of the Detailed Action, the Examiner incorrectly states that claims 12-13 were “previously canceled”. Claims 12-13 have not been

cancelled, and should have been referred to as being “previously *presented*”, rather than “previously *canceled*”. Applicants respectfully request that this correction be made of record.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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